

Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location: Blackshear, GA Accident Number: ERA24LA143

Date & Time: March 17, 2024, 08:25 Local Registration: N729CW

Aircraft: Beech A36 Injuries: 3 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

On March 17, 2024, at 0825 eastern daylight time, a Beech A36 single-engine airplane, N729CW, was substantially damaged when it was involved in an accident near Blackshear, Georgia. The private pilot and the two passengers were not injured. The airplane was operated as a Title 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91 personal flight.

The airplane departed Jacksonville International Airport (JAX), Jacksonville, Florida, at 0753, and was destined for Wood County Airport (1G0), Bowling Green, Ohio, on an instrument flight rules (IFR) flight plan. The pilot stated that the airplane was climbing through 11,000 ft mean sea level (msl) to 13,000 ft msl, when he noticed a reduction in engine power and inability to climb. Moments later the engine oil pressure began to drop, the engine then began to run rough and make "loud banging noises." The engine seized and the pilot made a forced landing to a rural road. The airplane impacted a tree resulting in substantial damage to the right wing and engine mounts.

The airframe and engine were retained for further examination.

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Beech	Registration:	N729CW
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Model/Series:	A36	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	On file	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Designator Code:			

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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	VMC	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KAYS,141 ft msl	Observation Time:	08:35 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	20 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	17°C /16°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	4 knots / , 260°
Lowest Ceiling:		Visibility:	10 miles
Altimeter Setting:	29.93 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	IFR
Departure Point:	Jacksonville, FL (JAX)	Destination:	Bowling Green, OH (1G0)

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	2 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	3 None	Latitude, Longitude:	31.3061,-82.2421

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Read, Leah
Additional Participating Persons:	Zach Aldrade; FAA/FSDO; Atlanta, GA
Investigation Class:	Class 3
Note:	The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.

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